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Miss Greenbelt 2014 Raised \$2,014 For Adoptions Group

by Edith Beauchamp

During her year as Miss Greenbelt, Kristin Beauchamp, my daughter, had raised almost \$2,000 by Labor Day 2015 for her chosen charity, when she was set to crown the new Miss Greenbelt for 2015. Amber Youhouse, a co-director of the Miss Greenbelt Scholarship organization, stepped up to the microphone to tell the audience at the Greenbelt American Legion about Kristen's efforts all year to raise money for Adoptions Together, an organization that helps foster children find permanent adoptive homes.

Kristen organized several bake sales held at the Greenbelt Co-op Grocery; produced and performed at a music concert she organized with other talented teens she recruited from Eleanor Roosevelt High School; hosted another fundraiser at Franklin's Restaurant which contributed 20 percent of patrons' purchases; and created a GoFundMe website that also encouraged other contributions via social media, among



PHOTO BY LIBERTY FRANK, ADOPTIONS TOGETHER

Kristen Beauchamp (right) presents a check for \$2,014 to Janice Goldwater, (left) Founder and Executive Director of Adoptions Together..

other fundraising during her year representing the city as the 60th Miss Greenbelt.

Youhouse formally introduced Kristen for the final crowning ceremony of her successor Alisha Karley, as Miss Greenbelt 2015. She playfully added, "Kristen has raised \$1,970 so far, so if someone wants to contribute the last \$30, see Kristen at the end." Kristen gave an impassioned tearful speech herself of what

the year had meant to her and the learning opportunities that participating with the Miss Greenbelt organization had afforded her. In particular she spoke from the heart about the important work of Adoptions Together.

Watch the excerpt of Kristen's speech at youtu.be/RG1nLPcvO5Q

As Kristen ended her speech, Devin Fendlay handed her another \$30 in cash that had been donated for her charity by John Winfrey, who was in the audience. Just after Labor

Day, several additional friends and family contributed a few more dollars to bring the final to \$2,014 to match Kristen's official year of 2014 as Miss Greenbelt.

Celebration

On October 18, the organization Adoptions Together celebrated 25 years of helping foster children in D.C., Virginia and Maryland with a Family Day

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Wall of Fame Now Honors Del. Barnes Work with Youth

by Hannah Klarner

Delegate Darryl Barnes was inducted into the Beltway Plaza Wall of Fame Thursday night, joining religious leaders, community members, politicians, police officers and others who were recognized for their efforts to affect positive change in Prince George's County.

Roughly 60 people gathered to watch the induction ceremony in the west entrance of the Mall.

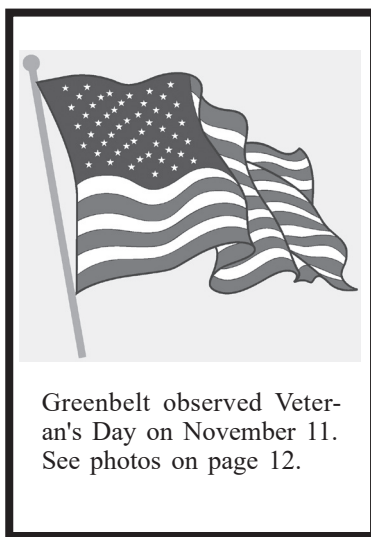
Barnes was chosen as the newest member of the Wall of Fame for his ongoing work with Men Aiming Higher, a non-profit organization that benefits young men in Prince George's County,

and his work as the representative for the 25th District (Annapolis) in the House of Delegates.

Marc "Kap" Kapastin, creator of the Wall of Fame, opened the program with a brief speech about Barnes' work in the community.

Prince George's County State's Attorney Angela Alsobrooks, Bob Ross, president of the Prince George's County NAACP, and Senator Ulysses Currie gave brief speeches highlighting Barnes' commitment to positive change in the county and his personal dedication.

See **WALL OF FAME**, page 7



Greenbelt observed Veteran's Day on November 11. See photos on page 12.

What Goes On

Monday, November 23 8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building, Live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21 and Streaming at greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv
Tuesday, November 24 7:30 p.m., Green ACES and Green Team Meeting, Community Center
Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27. City Offices Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
Thursday, November 26 9 a.m., Gobble Wobble Family Fun Run and Walk. (See city ad for details.)

American Education Week November 16 to 20

In celebration of American education, these columns will be telling the stories of selected teachers from the schools that serve the Greenbelt community. This week readers will get a glimpse inside Magnolia Elementary School. In coming weeks we will focus on the other local public schools.

The stories feature two teachers or staff members at each school, and are coordinated by David Lange, who originated the series and liaises with the schools, and Alice Murray who works with the reporters.

Area Schools to Celebrate American Education Week

Kirstyn A. Flood

It's American Education Week this week and neighborhood schools are paying attention.

"The importance of American Education Week is to build morale between staff, parents and students. It also shows the educators how deeply appreciated they are for all their hard work," said Kristin Cahalan-Hudson, Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) counselor.

GES and Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) are celebrating American education by honoring teachers, the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and support staff through various activities.

Erika Brett, curriculum coordinator at ERHS, said each day the staff receives a token of appreciation. Friday is Substitute Appreciation Day, when substitute teachers will receive goodie bags.

During the week, students at GES dressed up for each of the special days: Monday was Your Future is Bright, Tuesday was Step in the Right Direction, Wednesday was College Bound and Parent Visitation Day, Thursday was Class Color Day and Friday is School Spirit Day.

Cahalan-Hudson said the themes "build a class bond and foster open discussion of the students' future aspirations." She also noted how fantastic the PTA is at GES, providing the teachers and staff with goodies and support on a monthly basis. "It truly makes all year feel like a celebration of the hard work that is going on in our school," she said.

Kirstyn Flood is an undergraduate journalism student at University of Maryland, writing for the Greenbelt News Review.

Leslie Tapscott-Mull Asks Magnolia Students to Excel

by Jacob Taylor

Leslie Tapscott-Mull remembers the exact day she started teaching: January 7, 2000. Her first position was at Owens Road Elementary School in Oxon Hill. She eventually moved to Matthew Henson Elementary in Landover, where she taught until the school closed in 2010. She has been teaching at Magnolia Elementary School since 2011. Tapscott-Mull was born in Washington D.C. and raised in Forestville, in Prince George's County.

She got her undergraduate degree in elementary education and psychology from Salisbury University and a master's degree in reading instruction from Bowie State University.

She is married to Timothy Mull and has three children, Naomi, Noah and Noelle.

Tapscott-Mull is the Magnolia reading specialist. She helps teachers plan their lessons and find materials that meet the needs of their curriculum. She also works with small groups of students who are either struggling in the classroom or excelling such that they need additional instruction.

Some of these kids are "stu-

dents that we've just kind of noticed need that extra support. They're successful in the classroom when they have that extra support and then when they have it taken away, they struggle a little bit more," she said.

She is currently working to introduce new phonics instruction through a grant proposal she submitted last year to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). She also teaches a reading incentive program, a reading club funded by ACE for students with exceptional reading skills.

She has something of a musical talent as well. Julie Huften, a teacher of English for speakers of other languages at Magnolia, said that Tapscott-Mull is "our marketing campaigner— if we need a jingle, she'll make the lyrics."

See **TAPSCOTT**, page 9



Leslie Tapscott-Mull

PHOTO BY JACOB TAYLOR



PHOTO BY KYLA HANINGTON

Cormorants hang out at Greenbelt Lake

Thanksgiving Week Deadline Changes

Due to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 26, the deadline for the News Review will have to change, since printers will not be available to print the paper Thanksgiving morning. The Thanksgiving issue will be printed on Wednesday. All deadlines will be moved back a day to finish the paper in time to be printed before the holiday.

Thanksgiving Week the deadline for stories, letters and camera ready ads will be Monday, November 23 at 8 p.m. Ads that need work must be in by Sunday, November 22 at 4 p.m.

The usual Wednesday composition work and final proofing will be done Tuesday evening.

Notice to All

All copy – ads, articles, photos, letters – must reach us no later than Monday, November 23 to be included in the November 26 issue. Any material received after Monday evening will be held for the issue of December 3.

Letters to the Editor

THANKS

I saw Bridge of Spies last Friday with audio description for the blind. The system worked great! I appreciate very much that Friends of Greenbelt Theatre installed this system for blind Greenbelters such as myself! Thanks again.

Kenneth Silberman
Directors Response

I’m so glad to hear this! What wonderful news. We’re so happy to have you at the theater and that the system worked well. Movies are for everyone!

Caitlin McGrath
Executive Director
Old Greenbelt Theatre

A Particular Problem

Micro-gaffe or legal blunder, I couldn’t say – but editorially this seems a doozy!

In recounting the swearing in of the new Greenbelt City Council (ok, really the same old council), the News Review’s Jim Giese offered readers some rich detail:

“...some members still had difficulty in repeating the words [from their oath of office, which] former Mayor Jordan administered. With their informal remarks picked up on open microphones, one commented that councilmembers should really memorize the oath in advance. Another complained about the difficulty in reciting the word particularity (administer the office without particularity or prejudice) and felt that it should be two words.”

I’ll venture a strong guess why all our councilmembers might intuitively have had trouble executing that word – a reason not offered in the article. No, “particularity” is not the most common word. Nor is particularity present in the formal oath of office required of Greenbelt’s elected officials – or any other elected official in Maryland.

The particular word that actually does appear in the official

oath at that precise spot is partiality, as in without partiality or prejudice.

The relevant verbiage in the Greenbelt Charter comes entirely – not partially, nor impartially – from the Maryland Constitution.

Of this small fact, I am certain: detailed as they are, “particularity” just ain’t in either document.

So how, pray tell, can Greenbelt’s council execute the office if they failed to execute the oath itself? I don’t mean they failed to live up to their oath; I mean they failed to take their oath as dictated by Charter and mandated by Constitution.

How Come?

So how, in our Utopian burg, did our much-liked and normally sharp mayor lead all six other councilmembers into verbally reciting an erroneous oath? To be fair, he wasn’t being precisely oathish. Honestly, he just made a mistake. I’ve certainly misspoken worse. Surely, such a gaffe could befall anyone.

But how could everyone apparently miss it? How could two Greenbelt city managers (one past, one current, both present, together possessing well over a half-century of municipal experience), the city’s lawyer and such an august gaggle of incumbents and civic aficionados fail to note such a failure of rote. My back-of-the-envelope tally suggests the incumbents had, collectively, recited the correct oath before no less than 50 times! And yet, when prompted, all parroted with particularity the words proffered, as is. Was there no prim parliamentarian present?

How could the journalist covering it even quip in print about the mis-articulation of the word and not note it was the wrong one?

But how consequential a glitch this might prove remains to be seen, since Greenbelt’s council has in its entirety after all, on

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GHI Notes

Thursday, November 19, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Friday, November 20, office closed, Emergency Maintenance Service at 301-474-6011

Monday, November 23, 7 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby

Wednesday, November 25, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting, Board Room

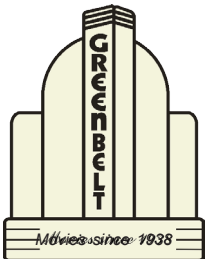
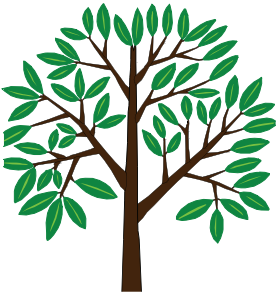
Thursday, November 26, office closed (Thanksgiving Day)

Friday, November 27, office closed, Emergency Maintenance Service at 301-474-6011

Thursday, December 3, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Friday, December 4, office closed, Emergency Maintenance Service at 301-474-6011

Saturday, December 5, 11 a.m., Pre Purchase Orientation, Board Room.



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www.greenbelttheatre.org

Adults \$9
Senior/Student \$8, Kids \$6
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All shows before 5 PM:
Adults \$7, Kids \$5
OC = Open Captions
CC = Closed Captions

SHOWTIMES

Nov 20 – Nov 24

BRIDGE OF SPIES
(PG-13) (CC) (141m.)
Fri: 5:30 PM, 8:30 PM
Sat: 3:15 PM, 6:00 PM
8:40 PM
Sun: 12:30 PM (OC),
3:15 PM, 6:00 PM,
8:40 PM
Mon. 5:00 PM
Tues. 5:30 PM, 8:30 PM

Nov 25 - Dec 3

BROOKLYN (PG-13)
(CC) (112m.)
Weds: 3:15 PM, 5:30 PM,
8:00 PM
Thurs. & Fri.: 5:30 PM, 8:00 PM
Sat: 1:00 PM, 3:15 PM,
5:30 PM 8:00 PM
Sun: 1:00 PM (OC),
3:15 PM, 5:30 PM, 8:00 PM
Mon. & Tues.: 5:30 PM,
8:00 PM
Weds: 3:15 PM, 5:30 PM,
8:00 PM
Thurs: 5:30 PM, 8:00 PM

Family Series:
THE PRINCESS BRIDE
(PG) (98m.)
Sat: 11:00 AM

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 6 -10 p.m.

On Screen

Crossing the Atlantic for Brooklyn

Opening at Old Greenbelt Theatre on Wednesday, November 25 is Brooklyn, a highly praised adaptation of Colm Toibin’s well-received novel set in the last century. Young Eilis Lacey (the plangent Saoirse Ronan), pulled this way and that in her small Irish town, finally crosses the Atlantic in steerage to take on a new life. Shy, feeling her way gingerly, living in a boarding house, she studies to become a bookkeeper and meets Tony (Emory Cohen), a would-be suitor. On a visit home, confronting family history and local pressures, Eilis must weigh the criss-crossing elements she’s up against and decide in which direction she should go. Ronan plays her role superbly, clearly benefiting, as does the overall film, from the talents of screenwriter Nick Hornby and director John Crowley.

PG-13. Running time: 111 minutes.

Eli Flam

Community Events

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext 4215.

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of November 23 are as follows:

Monday, November 23: Grape juice, stuffed shells with meat sauce, kale, Italian bread, scalloped apples.

Tuesday, November 24: Cranberry juice, beef vegetable soup, fish sandwich, mixed green salad with French dressing, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, November 25: Apple juice, sliced turkey with gravy, bread dressing, whipped potatoes, green beans, ambrosia and pumpkin pie.

Thursday, November 26: All sites closed.

Friday, November 27: All sites closed.

Star Party on Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday evening, November 21, at the City of Greenbelt Observatory, located at Northway Fields. With the observatory telescope we plan to show visitors double stars, star clusters, planetary nebulae and galaxies, as usual. And as always, visitors are also welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill. Neptune, Uranus and a three-quarters full Moon will be up.

Observing will begin at around 6 p.m. and continue for about two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ball field lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Mishkan Torah Sale Of Pre-used Jewelry

Mishkan Torah's annual jewelry sales have created a sizable number of items that the Sisterhood wishes to reduce. The sale is not a replacement of the annual sale the Mishkan Torah's Sisterhood has done in the past and will do later on this year. All prices will be \$5.00 or less per item, plus the total final price of one's purchase will be reduced by twenty percent. This will be a crafter's paradise where one could take apart many items to make new original items. A station will be available for minor repairs. The sale will occur on Sunday, November 22 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m at Mishkan Torah. Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road.

Bake Sale Sunday Helps Animal Shelter

W.A.G.S. (Well-Wishers for the Animals of the Greenbelt Shelter) is sponsoring a bake sale to benefit Greenbelt Animal Shelter's special medical fund. Please come to the Greenbelt Co-op ramp on Sunday, November 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for some delicious treats, including gluten-free and vegan goodies.

W.A.G.S is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and also welcomes monetary donations, which can be sent to W.A.G.S., P.O. Box 1672, Greenbelt, MD 20768-1672 or submitted online at gofundme.com/GBAnimalShelter.

City Notes

Planning staff reviewed a draft Environmental Impact Statement for the FBI headquarters.

Facilities Maintenance crew installed handrails in the Aquatic and Fitness Center showers.

A new exhibition is on view at the Community Center Art Gallery through January – Oriented Strands: painting by Chris Zickefoose.

Greenbelt Writers Meet on Friday

The Greenbelt Writers Group (GWG) will meet on Friday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center. There will be open readings. Also, a topic has been proposed to share: Have you ever written anything that surprised even you or that you are really proud of? The group will also decide on a holiday gathering, when and where. All writers are welcome.

The GWG will participate in the Festival of Lights on Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6. A table will have authors' books for sale. Peggy Rooney, one of GWG's most prolific authors, has prepared an information sheet on the Greenbelt Writers Group to pass out at the festival. Other authors may participate.

For more information, call Mary Moien at 301-474-4713.

Blood Drive Sunday At Mishkan Torah

The Social Action Committee of Mishkan Torah Synagogue will sponsor a Red Cross Blood Drive at the synagogue on Sunday, November 22, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Blood Drive will take place in a Red Cross Blood-mobile parked on Ridge Road in front of the synagogue, located at 10 Ridge Road.

Prospective donors may call 1-800-733-2767 (1-800-RED-CROS) or go to redcrossblood.org to sign up. Use the sponsor code Mishkan Torah Synagogue. Although appointments are recommended, donors may come to the synagogue at any time during the blood drive. The Red Cross needs all blood types. Give the gift of life.

MakerSpace Busy Thanksgiving Week

MakerSpace is open the week of Thanksgiving, so come by when you need a break from turkey preparation.

Saturday, November 21 from 10 a.m. to noon is Coder Dojo for kids, and from 12:30 to 2 p.m. is First Lego League.

Sunday, November 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. is a watercolors class with teaching artist Mary Ann Lipovsky. A small donation to pay for supplies and the instructor is requested.

Tuesday, November 24 has Coder Dojo for kids from 7 to 8 p.m. and for adults from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 25 has a First Lego League meeting from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and Knit (and other Fibery Pursuits) from 7 to 9 p.m. Working on a last-minute gravy boat cozy? Come on by.

Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, MakerSpace will be closed for Thanksgiving. We open again on Saturday, November 28.

Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Service

On Wednesday, November 25 at St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church, Greenbelt's faith communities will come together at 7:30 p.m. for a religious service. The Greenbelt Interfaith Choir will lead in song, and a dessert reception hosted by St. Hugh Ladies of Charity will follow the service. A free-will offering will benefit the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association "Eviction Relief Fund."

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(!) = No passes, (!!)= No passes weekend
* Not part of the morning and Tuesday discount shows

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all day on Tuesdays; add \$2.00 for 3-D

Week of November 20

FRIDAY – SATURDAY

Hunger Games "Mockingjay Pt. 2 PG13 (!)
10:45, 11:15, 1:40, 2:20, 3:50, 5:15, 6:45, 8:10, 9:40
The Night Before R (!)
11:00 am, 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:50
Peanuts G
11:30 am, 12:00, 1:40, 2:10, 4:20, 4:45, 6:55, 9:10
Spectre PG
11:20 am, 3:30, 6:40
Goosebumps PG
11:20 am, 1:50, 4:30, 6:55, 9:50
Prem Ratan Dhan Payo, NR
10:40 am, 2:10, 5:40, 9:10
Martian PG13
6:30, 9:30

SUNDAY – MONDAY

Hunger Games "Mockingjay Pt. 2 PG13!
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Peanuts G
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Spectre PG-13
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Goosebumps PG
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 6:55
Prem Ratan Dhan Payo NR
11:30 am, 3:00, 6:30
Martian PG-13 6:45

TUESDAY

Creed PG 13 (!)
7:00, 10:00
Good Dinosaur PG (!)
7:10, 9:20
Hunger Games "Mockingjay Pt. 2 PG13 (!)
10:45, 11:15, 1:40, 2:20, 3:50, 5:15, 7:00, 9:15
The Night Before R (!)
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Peanuts G
11:30 am, 12:00, 1:40, 2:10, 4:20, 7:30, 9:40
Spectre PG13
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Goosebumps PG
11:20 am 1:50, 4:30
Prem Ratan Dhan Payo N/R
11:30am, 3:00
Martian PG13 4:30

WEDNESDAY – THURSDAY

Victor Frankenstein PG13 (!)
11:00, 1:30, 4:35, 7:00, 10:15
Creed PG13 (!)
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Good Dinosaur PG (!)
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Hunger Games "Mockingjay Pt. 2 PG13(!)
10:40, 1:40, 4:00, 7:10, 9:15
The Night Before R (!)
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Peanuts G
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Spectre PG13
11:55am, 3:20, 6:30, 9:40

More Community Events
are located throughout the paper.

Greenbelt Arts Center LAST CHANCE TO SEE

ANY GIVEN MONDAY



GREENBELT
ARTS CENTER

November 20 & 21 at 8pm
FINAL Sunday Matinee November 22 at 2pm
Ticket prices: \$20 General Admission,
\$16 Students/Seniors/Military,
\$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

COMING SOON

Winnie the Pooh - December 5 - 20 - Directed by Jon Gardner
A Christmas Cactus - December 4 - 19 - guest production by Off the Quill

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or
email: info@greenbeltartscenter.org or
BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at www.greenbeltartscenter.org

Utopia Film Festival Presents
Sunday, Nov. 22nd & Wednesday, Nov. 25th
Beginning at 8 PM

If you missed the 2015 Festival...
"Giant Visions of Tiny Places", "I Am REVA",
"God Is a Dog", and "Graveyards of the Great Lakes"

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Closed Thanksgiving, Nov. 26

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Members Only

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Reserve a seat by Tuesday, Nov. 24th
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For more information, visit the GATe website or:

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In Memoriam: Vasilios Psaromatis



Vasilios P. Psaromatis, age 13, died from complications of brain cancer in the Gilchrist Hospice in Towson early Tuesday, November 3. He was the son of Lisa Meetre Psaromatis, who grew up in Greenbelt, and her husband, Panagiotis. Vasili is also survived by his five younger siblings, Ricky, Michael, Jeffrey, Margaret and Catherine. Maternal grandparents Rick and Cathie Meetre are long-time Greenbelters and Aunts Sarah Liska and Jenny Meetre grew up here and attended Greenbelt schools.

Vasili died from Gliomatos-
sis Cerebri, a rare brain cancer. He was first diagnosed in August 2014 when one of his eyes tracked off center. The pediatric ophthalmologist was immediately concerned enough to send him for an MRI. Within a day there was a virtually certain diagnosis, confirmed later by the pathology report. This disease tends to affect children more than adults, boys and girls equally, and is universally fatal – often within a few months. It is usually diagnosed from the cancer pressing on the optic nerve (like Vasili) or from a seizure. There are approximately 100 new cases a year in the U.S. making it very rare compared to other childhood cancers and resulting in minimal research.

Vasili's disease followed a fairly predictable path. He had surgery to relieve the pressure on his optic nerve and this left him with some deficits of sight and balance. For some months he was able to lead a fairly active life, but his sight was steadily worsening and he was getting less coordinated and weaker. He also suffered from seizures that could beset him at any time. The pediatric hospice took him as a home-based patient during the fall of 2014 and the hospice nurses visited weekly and provided resources. He really enjoyed their visits – and they also provided him with counseling and the opportunity to talk about how he felt and what he wanted to say to others about his situation. He understood his predicament from the start and was unfailingly positive and uncomplaining about it.

In September 2014, his father, Panagiotis, took Vasili to Mount Athos and to the family's traditional home in Elafonisos, both in Greece. The extended family had a gala weekend at Massanutten and he got to ride in a fabulous vintage Mustang. Vasili enjoyed the attention and the treats immensely. In January this year, the Make a Wish Foundation sent him and his family on a cruise to Cozumel from Florida, granting

his wish to go to a warm beach with palm trees. He was especially excited to be picked up in a stretch limo. On the way back the family also stopped in Orlando. Vasili had a fabulous time with his cousins who also came along for the trip – enjoying the shipboard amusements and riding on dolphins. He even tackled the climbing wall.

Nothing, however, held back the illness. There is no chemotherapy that is effective and radiation is destructive and ineffective. Gliomatos-
sis doesn't form a tumor that can be excised. It is more like a fibrous net that gradually works further into the brain, causing swelling and destruction of normal tissue. For Vasili, the inexorable progression continued. By Easter this year, he was bed-bound and blind. He became very slowly more disabled, began having more profound seizures and was taking steroids to diminish seizure symptoms and headaches resulting from swelling in the brain. The steroids made him constantly hungry and his favorite person was always the one who



Vasilios Psaromatis

PHOTO BY CATHIE MEETRE

turned up with a treat. By mid-September it was a big effort to speak, but the bringer of a mocha cappuccino or Chipotle could rely on an enthusiastic "Yay!"

Vasili made sure, during this time while he could still speak, to make sure everybody knew he loved them.

Vasili's mother, Lisa, an intensive care RN, took care of all his personal nursing and needs, with some help with the household from friends and family. Her sisters Sarah and Jenny, who live nearby, were a primary and loving resource – creative in providing treats and sleepovers for the younger siblings and generous with their love and time to the whole family. Vasili's extensive Greek family provided care and support, brought food and was an unfailing source of cousin playmates and sleepovers. Neighbors and friends ran errands and provided transportation for siblings. An entire virtual village cared for Vasili.

Lisa was unfailingly patient, loving and competent – she called Vasili 'My Beautiful Boy' and no child ever received more

patient and capable care. Panagiotis, his father, was deeply affected and never gave up researching potential treatments. As one of six children, Vasili was especially appreciative of his father's undivided attention during their one-on-one trip to Greece. Vasili was the ultimate trooper. He didn't complain or whine. He retained his sense of humor and warmth to the last and never forgot to thank his caregivers or tell them how much he appreciated them.

Vasili's breathing became increasingly uneven as October went on. Over time, his ability to swallow deteriorated and it got harder for him to take any sustenance. On November 2, his breathing became labored from pneumonia. He was transported to the hospice where he died peacefully early the next day with his mother and father enfolding him.

Greek Orthodox funeral services took place November 5.

We encourage Greenbelters to inform themselves about this devastating cancer which receives so little attention – see weillcornellbrainandspine.org. In Vasili's memory, a fund has been established for the church he loved and donations can be made through gofundme.com/7j9ewcfw

- Cathie Meetre

Our faithful Our Neighbors correspondent, Kathleen McFarland, also Greenbelt's 2014 Outstanding Citizen, has for many years written this column, faithfully disseminating the joys and the sadness experienced by our community. As a long-time resident and active participant, she has known many of the story tellers personally.

Kathleen would like to hand the torch over to a new person. Such a person would need to reach out to our community, as Kathleen has done so well, to gather our news and cheer on our graduates, offer condolences to the bereaved and celebrate new lives just beginning.

If you think you can be our community's recording angel, email us at editor@greenbelt-newsreview.com or call us at 301-474-4131.

Gudrun Mills

A memorial service for Gudrun Mills, former city clerk, who died October 24, will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Saturday, November 28 at 11 a.m. Interment will be at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery where her husband Charles Mills is buried.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

Christian Science Church



Please Join Us

for our Thanksgiving Day Service on Nov. 26,
10:30 to 11:30 am at 8300 Adelphi Rd., Hyattsville, MD

Give gratitude to God for all the blessings that have been bestowed on you and your family this past year. Or just listen and rejoice with others in sharing their praise and gratitude to God.

Doors open at 10:00 am



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Greenbelt Baha'i Community

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Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

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Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.
Come and give thanks with us

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November 22 10 a.m.
"Our Song of Thanksgiving"

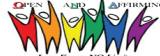
A multi-generational service of gratitude. Please bring a non-perishable food item, or grocery store gift card to help a family in need celebrate Thanksgiving.
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Greenbelt Community Church

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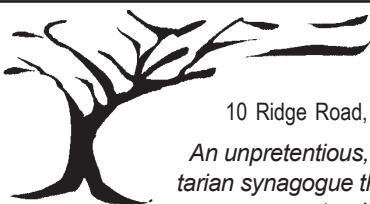


1 Hillside (at Crescent Road)
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Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.

Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff, Pastor



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Catholic Community of Greenbelt

SUNDAY MASS, 10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

SERVE BREAKFAST
AT S.O.M.E.

Sunday, Nov. 29
Meet at St. Hugh's School
Parking Lot, 6:00 AM
All are welcome.

At the Library
All PGCMLS branches will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25, for the Thanksgiving holiday. All branches will remain closed on Thursday, November 26. The Greenbelt Branch Library will reopen on Friday, November 27 at 10 a.m.

Weekly Storytimes
Wednesday, November 25, Preschool Storytime, 10:15 & 11:15 a.m., for ages 3-5, limit 20 people.

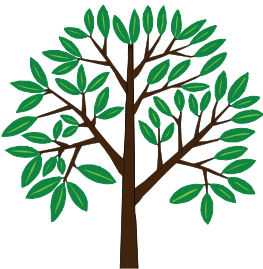
Teen Writers Club
Monday, November 23, 6:30 p.m., Teens (13-18 years old). Meet other teens who share your interest of writing. Learn how to improve your writing, try new approaches and meet authors and other experts in the publishing field. (Other sessions will be held in December.)

On Saturday, December 5, at noon, the roots music duo Hungrytown will perform in the meeting room of the library. Hungrytown recently completed a six-week European tour, promoting its new album, Further West. The record was in the top 10 on the American Folk DJ charts for the months of June and July 2015 and in the top 50 through October. The concert is free.

Greenbelt Park Weekend Events
On Saturday, November 21: Volunteer for the Trail Crew. Join the Greenbelt volunteer corps to improve the park through trail maintenance projects. Meet at the Ranger Station at 8:45 a.m.

Saturday, November 21: The Green Oasis at Greenbelt. This program is about the history of Greenbelt Park as an “urban oasis” preserved as a venue for public recreation and appreciation of nature. The park supports the vision of Greenbelt City as one of the first planned communities, given birth during the relief programs of the Great Depression. The art (sculpture of Lenore Thomas) and Art Deco architecture of the era still grace the city today. Meet at the Ranger Station at 3 p.m.

Sunday, November 22 at 6 p.m. join a campfire program on Gladys Noon Spellman. A 29-mile section of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway is dedicated to this pioneer. Learn about her contributions to the nation. Campground guests and the public are welcome to join the Campfire Circle for a traditional National Park Service campfire program.



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City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING
Municipal Building, November 23, 2015 – 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION
Call to Order
Roll Call
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS
- Presentations
 Municipal Government Month Proclamation
 America Recycles Month Proclamation
 Recycle Right Awards

- Petitions and Requests
(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)
- * Minutes of Council Meetings
- Administrative Reports
- *Committee Reports

LEGISLATION
- A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Professional Services for the Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot Stormwater Management Demonstration and Water Quality Treatment Project to Bradley Site Design at a Cost of \$33,700
- 1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS
- Pepco Vegetative Management Plan
- Award of Purchase – Public Works Vehicles
- Award of Purchase – Exercise Equipment
- 2016 Legislative Program
- MNCPPC Park Tax – Greenbelt Station
- Council Reports
- * Greater Baltimore Wilderness Accord – Name change from Baltimore Washington Partnership
- * Employee Special Holiday
- * Reappointments to Advisory Groups
- * Resignations from Advisory Groups

MEETINGS
NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

CARES INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING
Greenbelt CARES offers Individual Adult Counseling. Individual counseling is conducted using a Cognitive Behavioral Approach. Counselors work with clients to determine the goals of therapy, and then help clients implement strategies that improve overall functioning. Services are free of charge for Greenbelt residents, and for those in several zip codes surrounding the city. CARES currently has immediate openings for appointments.

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SAVE THE DATE: JURIED ART AND CRAFT FAIR
December 5 from 10am-5pm and
December 6 from 10am-4pm

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
City Offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The GREENBELT CONNECTION will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE
Week of November 23
Monday Route – Refuse & Recycling Regular Schedule
Tuesday Route - Refuse & Recycling Regular Schedule
Wednesday Route – Refuse & Recycling Regular Schedule

Thursday Route – Refuse collected on Wednesday – No Recycling Collection
There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, November 27.

2015 GOBBLE WOBBLE
Thursday, November 26 at 9:00am
Race-day registration begins at 8am
Begins at Youth Center, 15 Centerway

Entry Fees
Pre-registration: Individual - \$15, Family 4-pack - \$50
Day of Race: Individual - \$20, Family 4-pack - \$70

Join us on Thanksgiving morning for the 10th anniversary of the Gobble Wobble Family Fun Run & Walk. The Gobble Wobble is roughly a 5K race (2 laps) and a 1.5 mile fun run/walk (1 lap) around Buddy Attick Park lake path. Join your family, friends, and neighbors in this great opportunity to Get Active before your Thanksgiving feast.

Registration form is available at the Youth Center and at www.greenbelt.md.gov/recreation. For more information contact Andrew Phelan at 240-542-2194 or aphelan@greenbeltnmd.gov

MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 23-27
Monday, November 23 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21 and Streaming at www.greenbeltnmd.gov/municipaltv
Tuesday, November 24 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES AND GREEN TEAM**, Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

NO MEETINGS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26 & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27. CITY OFFICES ARE CLOSED FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY. HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee
For information call 301-474-8000.

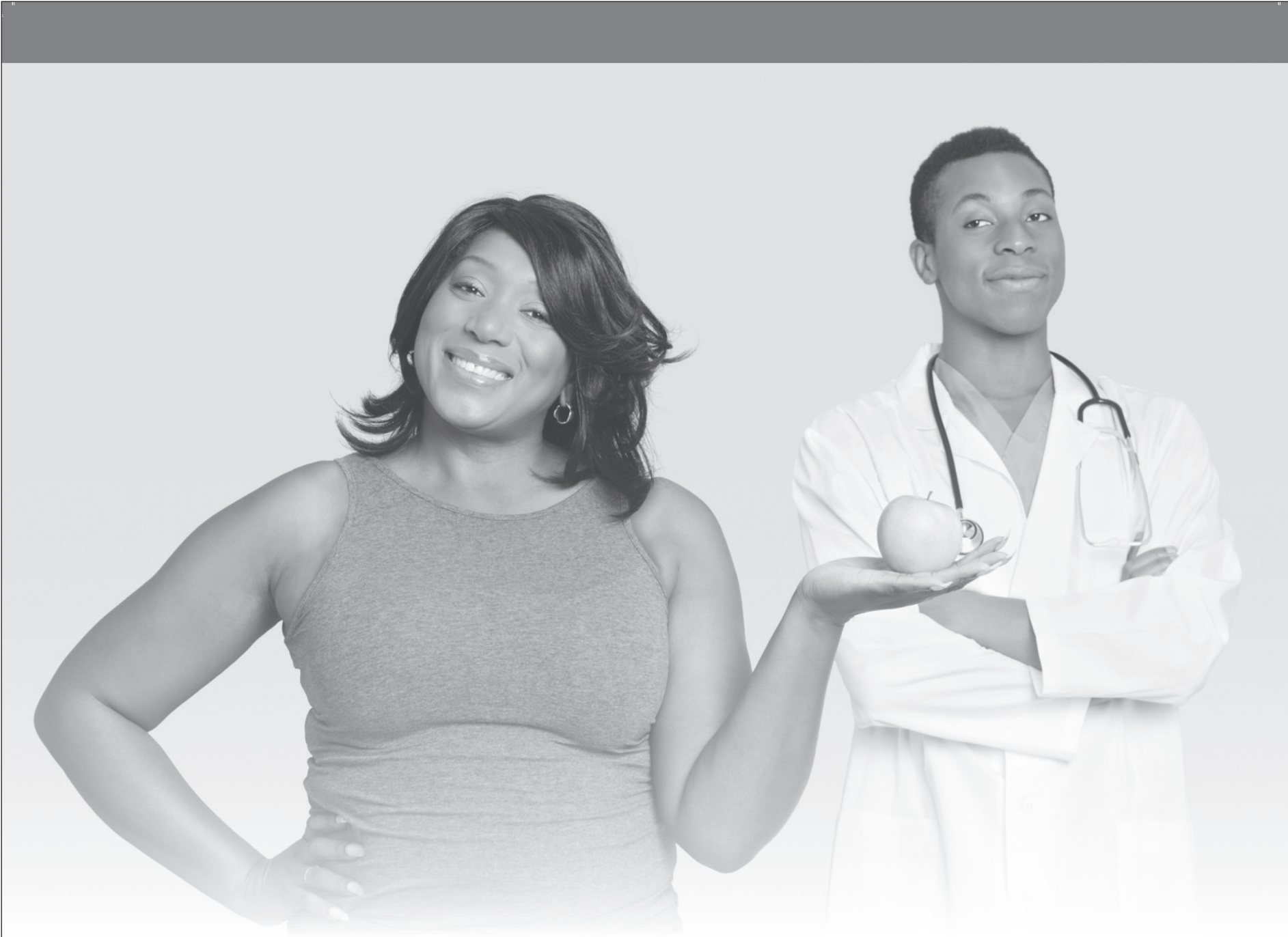
LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE FALL 2015-2016

Make sure to rake the leaves to the curb, but not into the street, and to remove all sticks and stones from the pile as these can damage the machinery. Areas to be collected will be posted as in past years. Please do not to park in front of leaf piles.

WEEK OF:
November 23 – 27 Lakewood (November 26 - 27 Holiday)
November 30-December 4 Lakeside, Greenspring I & II
December 7 – 11 Boxwood
December 14 – 18 Woodland Hills and Greenbrook Village & Estates
December 21 – 25 Lakewood, Greenspring I & II (December 25 Holiday)
December 28 – January 1 Lakeside and Windsor Green (January 1 Holiday)
January 4 – 8 All areas
January 11 – 15 All areas

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Barnes was the last to speak, focusing largely on the work that Men Aiming Higher has done since its founding in 2009. He highlighted the fact that his successes and the successes of Men Aiming Higher is a collaborative effort. “This is not just about Darryl Barnes,” he said. “This is about everyone in this room.”

Barnes asked all the men from Men Aiming Higher to stand before calling them up to present Senator Currie with an award thanking him for 24 years of public service in Prince George’s County. He ended his speech by saying, “the best is yet to come.”

The ceremony and Barnes’ place in the Wall of Fame also comes with a \$500 donation from the owners of Beltway Plaza Mall on behalf of Barnes to Men Aiming Higher.

The Wall of Fame showcases the photographs and biographies of members of the Prince George’s County community who have contributed to positive change in the county.

The wall was Kapastin’s idea after he saw something similar in the Philadelphia Convention Center. He said that he wanted the wall to be in a prominent place so that children could see people who made a positive impact on their community.

Barnes’ induction was the eighth ceremony to take place since the wall was first created in 2013.

Hannah Klarner is a University of Maryland graduate student writing for the News Review.



Del. Darryl Barnes and his wife Makeba unveil his portrait at Beltway Plaza Mall.

Del. Darryl Barnes, his wife Makeba and their sons, pose in front of Barnes’ portrait on the Wall of Fame at Beltway Plaza Mall.



Photos by Hannah Klarner

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picnic. Kristen was invited to present the check with the money she raised to Founder and Executive Director Janice Goldwater in front of several hundred of the families who have been formed through this organization’s efforts. Kristen described how important the organization’s work was to her personally since she and her brother, Allen, were adopted from the foster care system, although in another state, but nevertheless, she wanted to reach out and find a way to give back to other children in need of a “forever family.”

November is National Adoption Month to help bring awareness of the adoption process and the need for permanent homes and families for over 100,000 U.S. children every year who are legally orphaned and in the U.S. foster care system waiting for adoption. By contrast, the U.S. State Department reports the 15-year average of approximately 16,000 children adopted each year by U.S. families from all other foreign countries combined. Only half of U.S. children

who are waiting for homes are actually adopted, and so building awareness of the foster care adoption process, legalized in 1997 with the Adoption and Safe Families Act, is the goal of National Adoption Month.

Those interested in learning more about how to adopt children should go to the Adoptions Together website adoptions.together.org.

For more information about the Miss Greenbelt Scholarship Organization and how to participate, go to missgreenbelt.com.

A Midsummer's Night Dream Offered at UM

The Maryland Shakespeare Players will perform A Midsummer's Night Dream from November 19 to 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cafritz Foundation Theatre of The Clarice. A group of eight actors will star as a whole cast of characters struggling to understand identity, gender and love. This presentation is free.

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Best Yet Boneless Whole Ham \$2.49 lb.	Premium All Purpose White Potatoes 10 lb Bag \$2.99	Minute Maid Orange Juice Assorted 59 oz. \$2.50	Mrs. Smiths Pumpkin-Apple or Cherry Pie Assorted 33-37 oz. \$3.50	Quick Frozen Snow Crab Leg Clusters \$7.99 lb.
Grocery Bargains		CO-OP Supermarket + Pharmacy will be CLOSED on Thanksgiving Day Thursday, Nov. 26	Grocery Bargains	
Ocean Spray Asst. Cranberry Juice + Blends 64 oz. \$1.77	Best Yet 14-15.25 oz. Canned Vegetables Corn - Green Bean - Peas 60¢		Domino Granulated Sugar 4 lb. \$1.99	Betty Crocker Cake or Brownie Mix Assorted 15-20 oz. \$1.00
Heinz Assorted Home Style Gravy 12 oz. \$1.25	Best Yet Cranberry Sauce 14 oz. 99¢		Hungry Jack Mashed Potatoes 15.3 oz. \$1.79	Best Yet Canned Pumpkin 15 oz. \$1.25
Deli	Bakery	Hot Food Deli	Natural & Gourmet	Beer & Wine
CP Imported Cooked Ham \$3.99 lb.	Fresh Store Baked Large Pumpkin or Apple Pie 10 Inch \$5.99	Fresh Made Steamed Shrimp 26-30 size \$9.99 lb.	Grains First Whole Grain Crackers \$2.99	Natural Light Beer 6 pk.-12 oz. cans \$4.79
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Police Blotter

Letters continued

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltnmd.gov/police
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robbery
November 7, 1:40 a.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A 15-year-old resident and two non-resident youths, 14 and 15 years old, were arrested for strong arm robbery after they allegedly approached a person and demanded his cell phone and anything else he had. The person ran from the area and contacted police. Two of the youths were located and arrested. The third was brought in by a parent. All three were released to parents pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

November 7, 7:23 p.m., 5500 block Cherrywood Lane. A person exiting Cash Depot was approached by a man who put on a ski mask and demanded money. The person ran back into the store and the man fled. He is described as Latino, 5'5" inches tall, 125 to 140 pounds, wearing a black skull cap, black North Face jacket, dark jeans and dark tennis shoes.

Theft
November 4, 4 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. An unattended purse was taken from a shopping cart in the parking lot of Beltway Plaza.

November 5, 47 Court Ridge Road. Officers responded to a report of a person possibly rummaging through a vehicle. A witness said that three youths standing outside a neighbor's vehicle rode away on bicycles. Money was taken from the unlocked vehicle, and jewelry that was inside it was located nearby.

November 7, 5:12 p.m., 7400 block Greenbelt Road. A lock on a locker at LA Fitness was removed, and keys were removed from a gym bag.

November 8, 8 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive. A parcel package was taken from the front of a door on November 1.

November 8, 12 p.m., 119 Centerway. A 15-year-old Greenbelt youth was petitioned for theft after electronic equipment was taken from the Restoration Center Church. An investigation is ongoing.

November 9, 2 p.m., 38 Court Ridge Road. A man saw a teenager take a red and black Mongoose bicycle from his yard. He is described as a white youth wearing black pants, black shoes and a black and white hat.

November 9, 4 p.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. A 15-year-old Greenbelt youth was petitioned for theft after a duffel bag was stolen at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Extortion
November 7, 2:17 p.m., 6800 block Megan Lane. A person received a phone call in which the

caller told the person his father had been kidnapped. The caller demanded that prepaid phone cards be purchased and the card numbers given to him to ensure his father's safe return. They were purchased and the numbers were provided. Shortly afterward the person's father came home on his own and it was discovered that the kidnapping had never taken place.

Burglary
November 5, 6 p.m., 100 block Westway. A tablet computer, video game console, cell phone and sneakers were taken from a residence, possibly by way of an unlocked window.

November 6, 4:52 p.m., 2 Court Westway. A man gardening in his yard saw three teenagers walking down the path near the rear of his home. He then heard his front door open and saw one of the teens in the doorway holding his laptop computer. When the teen saw the man, he ran back into the man's house and out the back door to flee. He was last seen in the wooded area across from 6 Court Crescent Road.

Fraud
November 9, 5:27 p.m., Lakeview Circle. Someone used a person's credit card information to order merchandise and have it delivered to the card owner's door.

Vandalism
November 6, 8:59 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. The living room window of a residence was broken out.

Vehicle Crime
Three thefts from vehicles were reported. Three purses were taken from unlocked vehicles, two from one car in the 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace and one in the 7500 block Greenbelt Road. Money was taken from a car in the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. In the 6400 block Ivy Lane a vehicle was entered but nothing was taken.

Five acts of vandalism occurred. A car was spray painted in the 6200 block Springhill Court and paint was scratched in the 7600 block Mandan Road. In 24 Court Ridge Road the antenna was broken on a vehicle and a windshield wiper on another. A brick was used to vandalize a vehicle in the 6000 block Greenbelt Road.

A witness reported that a youth playing in the 9100 block Edmonston Road threw a rock, hitting the passenger window of a vehicle, breaking it. The child's parent was aware of the incident and agreed to pay for the damage.

video, failed to swear impartiality in office. Not to be too particular about it, but given the legalities impartial observers might think that more than partially problematic. Then again, other counsel to council might renounce that level of particularity.
Not being a jurist, it's hard for me to judge.

Andy Carruthers
(Editor's Note: a review of the meeting's live stream confirms that the particular word used was particularity.)

Gratitude
As a brand spanking new GHI member, I want to give a warm virtual embrace to all the GBers who have welcomed me into the hood! I especially want to thank Michael Hartman (whose PT is on a rampage against me) and Annie Shaw (who made sure I moved in with more than a spoon). A shout-out, as well, to the Greenbelt Time Bank, whose members made moving and hauling random pieces of furniture FUN. And, finally, a thank you to George Bachman, Director of Maintenance for GHI, who is resolving a major hiccup with grace and consideration.

Aileen Kroll

THANKS
I would like to recognize and thank everyone who voted in the city council election. I especially thank those who supported me. I am honored to have your trust.

During the campaign, I appreciated meeting and talking with many citizens and hearing your thoughts and concerns. As a councilmember, I aim to do my best for all Greenbelt citizens. I promise to work hard, listen attentively, consider all issues thoughtfully and thoroughly and always act in the best interests of the city.

My campaign theme is Building on the Spirit of Greenbelt and Expanding the Possibilities. That spirit is the spirit of working together, the spirit of cooperation. Together council, citizens and staff work to make Greenbelt a better community and I am committed to doing my part.

Leta Mach

Snarky Journalism
As a new resident of Greenbelt West, I was very proud to vote in my first local election. My husband and I did our research and felt we voted for the best candidates.

I anxiously read the election results in the Greenbelt News Review. However, I was disappointed with the description of Precinct 8 which begins: "As usual, Precinct 8 Greenbelt West, had the poorest turnout..."

That paragraph by Mr. Giese did not belong in a news article.

It should have been in an op-ed piece. It was snarky journalism at best and may speak more to a lack of authentic representation of Greenbelt West than it does to the electorate of Precinct 8.
We will be submitting articles to the Greenbelt News Review that reflect the vibrancy of Greenbelt West and challenge the perceptions reflected in your article.

Rene' Sewell-Raysor

Thankful
We are so thankful for our recreation department's offering of "Fit Club," an after school program that allows for free play and instructor-led games and activities. AJ, the course facilitator, is great with the kids. Our son enjoys the class immensely, saying "We get to play a lot."
Thank you!

Li'l Dan Celdran

Cassels Award Announced



This year's Community Award winner is Well-wishers for Animals of Greenbelt Shelter (WAGS), represented by Kris White. WAGS plans to educate humans on how to interact with dogs, and educate dogs on interacting with humans. The \$1,200 grant was announced at the Co-op Grocery Store's annual meeting on November 7. Because it was the tenth anniversary, past recipients were invited to give an update on their projects, most of which are ongoing. **Shown from left: George Kochell, Angella Foster, Michael Hartman, Kris White (WAGS), Michelle Touchet, Susan Barnett, Maggie Cahalan, Donna Hoffmeister (award administrator) and Fred Cassels (Jim Cassels' son).**

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TAPSCOTT continued from p.1

The biggest struggle Tapscott-Mull sees as a teacher is when adults talk about how a child or group of children cannot succeed but without giving them the chance. “I think it gives children the idea that it’s okay to give up, it’s okay to stop, it’s okay not to try,” she said. “I struggle with it so much when I hear other people say it because I know that sometimes that reflects what I’m thinking too.”

“Sometimes we as teachers are afraid to challenge our children because we don’t want them to fail, but there is growth in failure,” she went on to say. “I think that as educators one of the things we have to remind children of is that the most important thing to do is to try.”

Tapscott-Mull says her most rewarding moment as a teacher happened this year. She was in a second grade class that was discussing elements of literature, specifically how when an author dedicates a book, it’s typically to someone who had a significant impact in the author’s life. “We asked students ‘if you were writing your book, who would you dedicate your book to?’” Tapscott-Mull said, “One of the little boys in the class said he’d dedicate his book to me.”

Tapscott-Mull had worked with the student before; he had been in her small reading group last year and had struggled with reading. She said, “He had really come a long way – he gained a lot of ability and confidence.” She said it was great “just to see that our time together meant as much to him as it did to me.”

Tapscott-Mull said she discovered that she wanted to be a teacher during a reading and writing workshop in high school. “Our teacher really challenged us to look at things from a different perspective to form a sound opinion, not just one that was loosely formed,” she said. “Just that experience of learning and growing under that teacher really gave me the desire to teach and impact children as an instructor.”

Tapscott-Mull is currently working towards getting certification from the National Board of Certified Teachers. The application process is long and complicated but she hopes it will be “the cherry on top. It means that you are a distinguished educator, that you have gone above and beyond the requirements for just state certification,” she said.

Jacob Taylor is a University of Maryland graduate student writing for the News Review.



American Education Week

Joseph Fernandez: Trials & Rewards of Teaching Abroad

by Jacob Taylor

Magnolia Elementary School educator Joseph Fernandez is a career teacher, currently rounding out his 27th year of teaching. He said, “I love teaching. I don’t see teaching as a job, it’s a ministry for me.” He comes from a family of teachers. His father was a teacher who eventually became a police officer and his mother was a teacher who became a homemaker after having children. Both of his sisters grew up to become teachers. His wife, Leonor Fernandez, also teaches at Magnolia Elementary.

Fernandez was born and raised in the Philippines. He received his undergraduate degree from Cebu Normal University and then a master’s degree in educational management from Southwestern University, both located in the Philippines.

In 2004, after watching many of his friends and colleagues pursue teaching abroad, Fernandez moved to the United States. His first job in the United States was in New York, teaching middle school math. Fernandez said that his first year in an American classroom was very difficult. “Coming from a country with a very different culture, I had a hard time adjusting to the attitude and behavior of the students,” he said, “I realized that I had the skills, I knew the content, but I was challenged with my students in terms of managing their behavior.”

“You see, when you come from a country in which teachers are the ultimate bosses in the classroom, you exude so much authority in the classroom but that was not the case when I arrived in New York,” he said. Fernandez said his appearance and ethnicity only made things harder, “During that first year I was the only Asian in that school,” he added. “During that first year, the students would ask me openly, ‘why are you here, what are you doing?’” he said. “In Prince George’s County, it’s different.”

Fernandez says his most rewarding moment as a teacher came while he was teaching in New York. “In New York, the competition from teacher to teacher is very tough. I was teaching math and there is this test, a city wide test, and I was so proud of myself, being a first year teacher when I was able to pull up the test scores for all of my students and my principal



PHOTO BY JACOB TAYLOR

Joseph Fernandez

told me ‘Mr. Fernandez, you have done a wonderful job.’” Compared to New York, he said, the classroom culture in Prince George’s County is far closer to what he was used to in the Philippines, “Here in PG County it’s like heaven for me, I really love it here.”

Fernandez began working in Prince George’s County at Bradbury Heights Elementary School in 2006. In 2011, problems with his visa forced him to move to the District of Columbia. In 2013, he was able to return to county and he began teaching fifth grade math at Magnolia Elementary.

While Fernandez still does some direct teaching, his primary role is now as an instructional lead. He describes his job as “building the skills of not only the students but also of the teachers.” He helps other teachers refine their lesson plans. He checks to make sure that the objectives in the lesson plan match those of the class. He examines the tests that are used in the class to make sure they accurately measure the students’ abilities.

Fernandez’s main focus is on math and the mathematics curriculum but he is technically responsible for examining the lesson plans across all grades and all subjects.

He coordinates extensively with Leslie Tapscott-Mull, another American Education Week honoree, on reading and literacy-related curricula.

A big focus for Fernandez is incorporating skills used in math into other subjects. He said, “We want to consider infusing the concept of relationships in the other subject areas. For example, if they’re working on identifying the characters in a story, I want them to focus on comparing the relationships between them.”

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Schatz plays music that is steeped in tradition yet completely original; his songs give words to life’s hard-to-describe moments. In addition to performing original music with his own band, Schatz has several weekly gigs playing classic



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Greg Schatz plays piano.

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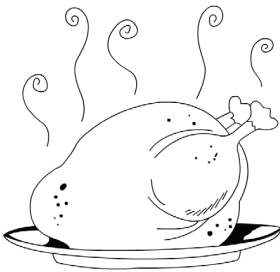
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Volunteer Workers Clean Up Indian Creek Stream Banks

by Erin Josephitis



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Volunteers gather for the America Recycles Day Stream Bank Cleanup at Indian Creek.

On Saturday, November 14, in honor of America Recycles Day a group of 30 volunteers led by two city staff gathered to clean the banks of Indian Creek. In only 1.5 hours a total of 300 pounds of recyclables and litter were collected and removed. The most frequently collected item was plastic water bottles, which were separated from litter and recycled. Among the other items removed were two shopping carts, a traffic cone and a tire. Volunteers play a key vote in protecting and restoring Indian Creek and the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

The event was made possible by the City of Greenbelt Public Works Department partnering with CHEARS, America Recycles Day, American Rivers and Alice Ferguson Foundation. Thanks to Starbucks for donating hot coffee. For anyone looking for another volunteer opportunity, consider signing up for the Zero Waste Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, December 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. Save the environment by collecting biodegradable cups and napkins while listening to music, eating cookies and sipping hot chocolate. RSVP to erjosephitis@greenbeltmd.gov to confirm availability. Space is limited.

Community Foundation Gets Vital New Partner

The Greenbelt Community Foundation is celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2016 with a campaign titled Explore Your Greenbelt. The campaign will consist of a series of free events and activities highlighting the impact of the Foundation on the community since its founding in 2006. Paradyne Management is partnering with the Greenbelt Community Foundation to help promote Explore Your Greenbelt. In 2011, Paradyne Management moved its corporate offices to Greenbelt and now serves as a premier provider of area information technology systems and integration services. “Paradyne Management is honored and excited to partner with an organization that has had such a positive impact on the Greenbelt community, says Paradyne founder and CEO Viraj Gandhi. “We look forward to helping Explore Your Greenbelt be a success.”

“We are thrilled that Paradyne has chosen to commit to serving all the neighborhoods of Greenbelt by becoming a vital partner in the Foundation’s 10th anniversary campaign,” said Foundation Chair Melissa Ehrenreich. “With their expertise and partnership, we will help Greenbelt citizens rediscover our city’s treasures through the stories and programs of our incredible grantees.”

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Brick Townhome - Corner Lot - Fireplace, double granite, hardwood flooring, vinyl, double large sav. appliances, fresh paint & more. Nice! **SOLD**
Corner Lot - 2 BR GHI frame townhome with large fenced yard. Remodeled throughout with modern kitchen and bath. Refinished hardwood floors.
Brick Townhome - 3 Bedroom GHI unit with new oak hardwood flooring on main level. Dining room converted into office space with lots of shelving.

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Post #136 Holds Annual Veterans Day Ceremony



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The Veterans Day ceremony at the Greenbelt War Memorial includes a rifle volley salute and echoing taps.

American Legion Post #136 conducted its annual Veterans Day ceremonies at the Greenbelt War Memorial on November 11. Greenbelt citizens and members of the Greenbelt police and fire departments joined town council and American Legion representatives honoring America's veterans. The ceremony included comments by Mayor Emmett Jordan and Commander Mike Moore, a rifle volley salute and echo-

ing taps. Activities included a special treat for children as Post #136 coordinated with Dr. Caitlin McGrath, who showed two films starring "Peanuts" characters in the historic Greenbelt theater that informed children about American history. Post representatives distributed to children and adults American flags and booklets about the origins of the American flag and why we honor veterans.



PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

Post #136 representatives distribute American flags.

Historic Theater Cites Successful Rebirth

At the Old Greenbelt Theatre's recent Member and Community Appreciation event, Executive Director Caitlin McGrath served up good news and encouraging statistics along with snacks and short films. Generous supporters numbering 655 have joined the Old Greenbelt Theatre as Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre. Thanks to their generosity and good ticket sales the theater has finished its first six months in the black. In the last three months, movies have attracted 6,235 viewers

to over 255 screenings. Favorite films have been *Rosenwald*, *Grandma* and *Meet the Patels*. There were 1,718 sales of fresh popcorn, boosting enjoyment and revenues. The theater has hosted 10 family programming events, 26 community outreach events and two film festivals. Remodeled in 2014-2015 by the City of Greenbelt, the theater retains its original design and historic single screen. It seats 380 and has up-to-date projectors and sound system.

Students Learn and Help Build A Healthier Local Watershed

by Kyla Hanington

Clara Holland can see aliens. The Greenbelt seventh-grader has been learning to identify local native and non-native plant species and how they impact vital waters. A Saturday camp hosted by the Anacostia Watershed Society provides opportunities for local seventh and eighth graders to explore the river system and learn how to help improve its health. The Saturday Environmental Academy (SEA), a free 10-week program for students from within the Anacostia Watershed, has young people like Holland spending their Saturday mornings touring green roofs and helping plant rain gardens.

The river is famously polluted. Raw sewage from outdated sewer systems and storm water flood into the river each year along with some 20,000 tons of garbage and debris. "The Anacostia River used to be 40 feet deep," said Holland. Due to farming and stormwater run-off from pavement, "now it's only about three and a half feet deep." SEA Program Director Catherine Estes confirms that the river is roughly 3.5 to 4.5 feet deep now due to stormwater pollution.

In recent weeks the SEA students have visited Sidwell Friends Middle School in D.C. to tour their constructed wetlands and green roof, helped plant a rain garden at First United Methodist Church in Hyattsville, helped prepare the Marion Street Intergenerational Community Garden for winter and worked along the Northeast Branch of the Anacostia River to add native plants and remove mugwort, a non-native species. Upcoming adventures include an overnight trip to Hard Bargain Farm in Accokeek and touring the Nationals baseball stadium.

Holland is hopeful about restoring health to the Anacostia. "Use rain barrels," she suggested to Greenbelt residents. Rain barrels stop some of the damaging flow of storm water carrying soil, fertilizer, oil and other pollutants that would otherwise cascade into Indian Creek, which flows into the Anacostia, which in turn flows into the Potomac and from there into the Chesapeake Bay.

The SEA runs two sessions each year, one from March to May and the other from October to December. Students in seventh and eighth grade who live anywhere within the Anacostia Watershed can apply to attend. For further information, contact Catherine Estes at cestes@anacostiaws.org.



SEA students collect samples along the Northeast Branch of the Anacostia River and identify macroinvertebrates.

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